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NAVY PETTY OFFICER SELECTED AS SERVICE PERSON OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER

Navy Yeoman First Class (Submarines) Anthony Bell, Submarine Squadron Support Unit, has been named Service Person of the Month for September 2000.

Petty Officer Bell received a Letter of Commendation from Rear Adm. John B. Padgett III, Commander Navy Region Northeast/Submarine Group TWO and will be honored on September 26, 2000 by the Norwich Lions Club.

Bell attended Midland Senior High School, Midland, Texas and Stratford Career Institute. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in January 1984 and reported to his present command in November 1998. He resides in Groton, CT with his wife, Brandy and children Anthony, Michael, and Matthew.

Petty Officer Bell serves as the Command Financial Specialist, Exceptional Family

Member Program Coordinator and Recreation Committee President. As President of the

Recreation Committee, he has planned and executed several events, which have significantly

contributed to command moral. Bell volunteers as a youth basketball and baseball coach for a

local youth sports organization. Petty Officer Bell participates and volunteers as an assistant

coach to an inline speedskating team. Along with 13 other competitors, Bell qualified to compete at the U.S. National Speedskating Championships held in Lincoln, NE.

The Military Affairs Committee of the Southeastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce and other local area service organizations jointly sponsors the Service Person of the Month.

Petty Officer Bell is entitled to wear the following medals and ribbons: Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (4), Meritorious Unit Commendation, Battle Efficiency, Navy Good Conduct Medal (2), Navy Expeditionary Medal (2), Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal and Navy Arctic Service Ribbon.